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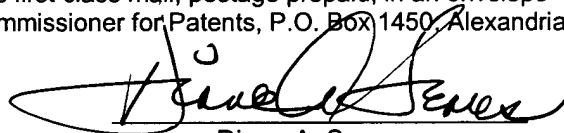
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT OF OCTOBER 1, 2003

Dear Sir:

REMARKS

By Office Action dated October 1, 2003, the Patent and Trademark Office ("Office") issued a restriction requirement in this case between (1) claims 1-8, allegedly drawn to a product, classified in Class 257, Subclass 787; and (2) claims 9-18, allegedly drawn to a process, classified in Class 38, Subclass 127. The Office asserted that the inventions are distinct each from the other because inventions 1 and 2 are related as a process of making a product and the product made.